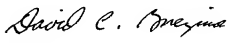


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☐ [ ] Applicant hereby petitions for a \_\_\_-month extension and entry of this Amendment which is sent within the \_\_\_ month after the due date of \_\_\_, 2003. The payment of \$ \_\_\_.00 to cover the \_\_\_-month extension is enclosed herewith.

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

This Amendment and Response to Office Action can be separated into the following sections:

- I. Introduction
- II. Claim Amendments
- III. Remarks

I. Introduction

Applicant's amendments to the claims begin at page 4.

Applicant's remarks begin at page 9.